

CAREER FACT SHEET

Other Medical Practitioners

Snapshot

This group covers Medical Practitioners not elsewhere classified. It includes Dermatologists, Emergency Medicine Specialists, Obstetricians and Gynaecologists, Ophthalmologists, Pathologists and Radiologists. Medical Registrars training in these specialties are included in this group.

| How many are employed in this occupation? | 26,300 |
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| What are the average weekly earnings for full time workers? | \$3,031 |
| How does unemployment compare with other occupations? | Below Average |
| What are the job prospects for this occupation? | Low |
| What will be the likely future employment growth for the next five years? | Moderate Growth |

Main employing industries

Health Care and Social Assistance

Tasks

This occupation may include associated occupations with varying tasks.

- provides diagnostic, treatment and preventative medical services related to disorders of the human skin
- provides diagnostic medical services, and manages patients with acute and urgent illness and injury
- provides diagnostic, treatment and preventative medical and surgical services related to the care
 of women, foetuses and children during pregnancy and childbirth, and to disorders of the female
 genital, urinary, rectal and reproductive organs
- provides diagnostic, treatment and preventative medical services related to diseases, injuries and deficiencies of the human eye and associated structures
- identifies the cause and processes of disease and illness by examining changes in body tissue and in blood and other body fluids, and conducts tests on samples of tissues, blood and body secretions
- provides diagnostic medical services, and medical care and management of patients utilising
 radiant energy techniques such as general radiography, angiography, fluoroscopy, mammography,
 ultrasound, computed tomography, magnetic resonance imaging, nuclear medicine and bone
 densitometry. registration or licensing is required

INDUSTRY OVERVIEW

Health Care and Social Assistance

Are you interested in helping people improve their health? Do you enjoy caring for others? Perhaps you would like to assist people experiencing a disability, or are keen to get involved in the wellness industry. If you are intrigued by these possibilities, a job in the Health Care and Social Assistance sector may be for you. The Health Care and Social Assistance industry encompasses a diversity of occupations, ranging from fields such as dental hygiene, optometry, pharmacy, disability services, mental health and aged-care, to fitness training, sports science, lifestyle coaching and nutrition. The Health Training Package offers over 75 Vocational and Training (VET) qualifications, so if you're interested in health you'll probably find an occupation and qualification to suit you! Don't forget it's possible to begin your Health Care and Social Assistance career by training for VET qualifications to start with before possibly working your way up to a University Degree. The Health Care and Social Assistance sector has



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experienced strong growth in the last ten years, making it one of Australia's largest employers and the growth is forecast to continue, so jobs in this industry are expected to be plentiful.

Possible job pathways

- Anaesthetists
- Ambulance Officers and Paramedics
- Chiropractors and Osteopaths
- Complementary Health Therapists
- Dental Assistants
- Dental Practitioners
- Dental Hygienists, Technicians and Therapists
- Dieticians
- Generalist Medical Practitioners
- Health Information Managers
- Indigenous Health Workers
- Internal Medicine Specialists

- Massage Therapists
- Medical Imaging Professionals
- Medical Laboratory Scientists
- Medical Technicians
- Midwives
- Nurses (Enrolled and Mothercraft Nurses)
- Nursing Managers
- Optometrists and Orthoptists
- Other Medical Practitioners
- Podiatrists

- Pharmacists
- Physiotherapists
- Practice Managers
- Psychiatrists
- Psychologists
- Nurse Educators and Researchers
- Registered Nurses
- Speech Professionals and Audiologists
- Photographic Developers and **Printers**
- Aged and Disabled Carers

- Counsellors
- Diversional Therapists
- Health and Welfare Services Managers
- Nursing Support and Personal Care Workers
- Occupational **Therapists**
- Social Workers
- Special Care Workers
- Welfare Support Workers
- Welfare, Recreation and Community Arts Workers

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